Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 10 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 11 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 10 Sep 2021 at 03:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for general cloudy outlook, lower confidence for where showers will develop and how heavy they will be.

Headline for Friday 10 Sep 2021: Cloudy with some fog, heavy showers possible.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 10 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	FOG			
Fog	Fog	Fog	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	20%	60%	60%	60%

Forecast for Friday 10 Sep 2021

Weather: A dull start on Friday with a lot of low cloud, mist and fog for most ranges. Low cloud will tend to linger for much of the day. Some heavy showers developing in the afternoon and although most places staying dry apart from drizzle, a slow moving thunderstorm is possible.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10%, low cloud lingering around the hill tops for most of the day.

Visibility: Visibility will be very poor for much of the day with extensive hill fog for most ranges. It will clear at lower level for part of the day but cloud lowering once again by late afternoon. Visibility will also reduce in any heavy showers that occur. Some places may see a temporary improvement in visibility, perhaps further east and towards the Great Glen but this will be quite short lived.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/7 E	4/5 NE	6/8 NW	8/11 NW	10/13 NW	11/14 NW	9/12 NW
900	5/7 E	4/5 NE	5/8 NW	8/11 NW	11/14 NW	12/15 NW	10/13 NW
600	3/4 E	3/4 NE	5/7 NW	7/10 N	8/11 N	9/12 NW	8/11 N
300	4/6 E	3/5 NE	6/8 NW	7/11 NW	9/14 NW	9/14 NW	7/12 NW
Glen	1/2 NE	1/2 W	2/4 NW	8/12 N	9/15 N	10/16 N	8/13 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	10/9	11/10	11/10	10/9	10/7	9/6	8/6
900	11/10	11/10	11/10	11/9	10/8	10/7	9/7
600	12/12	12/12	13/12	12/11	12/10	11/10	11/9
300	13/13	14/14	14/14	14/13	13/12	12/10	12/11
Glen	16/16	15/16	16/17	16/15	15/13	14/12	14/13
Freezing Level*	3000m	3000m	3000m	3000m	2900m	2800m	2800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Very light winds mean any heavy showers that form will be quite slow moving with the risk of torrential downpours and localised flooding. Feeling quite warm and muggy at times on the hills.

Forecast for Saturday 11 Sep 2021

Weather: Low cloud and mist overnight with some drizzle, this will be slow to clear in the morning and an area of rain is expected on Saturday morning, this will be heavy for a time. The rain will clear east with the possibility of some brightness for a time in the afternoon. Low cloud is again likely in the evening.

Maximum wind: West 10mph increasing and becoming Northwesterly 15-20mph in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% increasing to 30% during the afternoon. Best chance of clearing tops is in the east near the Great Glen.

Visibility: Poor at first with extensive low cloud, visibility will also be reduced in any heavy rainfall during the morning. It is likely to improve for a time in the afternoon becoming 2-5km for a time but reducing again in the evening as cloud lowers and the mist settles again.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to 16 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 10 Celsius falling to 5 Celsius later on Saturday night as fresher conditions move south.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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